

Application No.: 10/658,337
Art Unit: 3643

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IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (*Currently Amended*) A ~~metal~~ lip jig rig, comprising:

a ~~metal~~ teardrop-shaped lip, said lip having a top bulbous first portion having defined therein a first aperture and a bottom tapered second portion having defined therein a second aperture, the lip being configured to help the metal lip jig rig sink when placed in water;

a punched out strap ~~that is used to receive~~ integrally formed in the first portion of said lip for receiving a fishing line, said punched out strap having two opposite ends, each of the ends being integrally attached to the lip;

~~a first aperture on the top portion of the metal lip to potentially rivet a first hook and a spinner wire to the metal lip jig rig;~~

~~a second aperture on the bottom portion of the metal lip to potentially receive and hold a second hook;~~

a fish hook having a shank extending from the second portion of the lip adjacent the second aperture, said hook being secured to the lip by molded material encasing the shank and second portion of the lip; and

~~a plurality of spurs on the area provided between the bottom portion and the top pair of bait holders extending laterally from the molded material disposed on the second portion of the lip that can be wrapped around a third hook to potentially receive and hold the third hook.~~

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Claims 2-15. (*Cancelled*)

Claim 16. (*Currently Amended*) The ~~metal~~ lip jig rig according to claim 1, wherein the ~~metal~~ lip is made of non-toxic metal.

Claim 17. (*Currently Amended*) The ~~metal~~ lip jig rig according to claim 1, wherein the ~~metal~~ lip is ~~replaced with~~ of a plastic lip.